

AMENDMENT TO THE DRAWING(S)

Fig. 4 has been amended. The attached sheet of formal drawing replace the original sheet including Fig 4.

REMARKS/ARGUMENTS

Applicant responds herein to the Office Action dated October 20, 2004. A Petition for Extension of Time (three months) and the fee therefor are enclosed.

Although applicant notes that claim 6 has not been rejected over prior art, that claim is a dependent claim and applicant believes that the ultimate independent claim 1 is patentable over the cited prior art.

Minor amendments in form were introduced in the specification and in the drawings, which are self-evident. The amendment to claim 2 is purely grammatical. The amendment to claim 1 merely sets forth that which is implicit therein.

According to the Office Action, 1-2, 5 and 8 are anticipated by Wang (6,567,052). Further, the Office Action states that claims 3-4 and 7 are rendered obvious by the aforementioned Wang patent, in view of Knoblach (6,628,941). Reconsideration is requested.

The invention of independent claim 1 provides a platform unit which is mounted on the flying object body and which is capable of being reoriented or positioned relative to the flying object. The objectives for and the salutary effects obtained with this construction are set forth in the introductory pages of the instant specification.

The Office Action contends that the primary Wong reference discloses such a "platform". Applicant respectfully disagrees. Although the term "platform" is commonly used in the present invention, and is also utilized in Wong, the meaning of "platform" in the context of the present invention is different from the corresponding meaning of the term in the disclosure of Wong.

The platform of Wong corresponds and refers to what is the flying object body of the present invention. In marked contrast, the "platform" of the present invention is mounted onto the flying object body and is controllable to face in a constant direction at all times within a horizontal plane.

Wong does not disclose or suggest such a control means for detecting an azimuthal angle of the platform unit in a horizontal plane and for actuating the platform unit to face in a constant direction at all times within the horizontal plane. Therefore, the present invention is clearly not anticipated by Wong and is, in fact, patentable. The remaining claims in the application are

dependent on claim 1 and impose further limitations thereon. Therefore, they are even further distanced from the prior art and are clearly patentable.

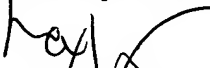
The foregoing remarks concerning claim 1 are equally applicable to independent claim 9 and its dependent claims presented herein.

Accordingly, the Examiner is respectfully requested to reconsider the application, allow the claims as amended and pass this case to issue.

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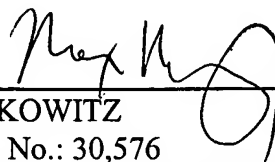
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